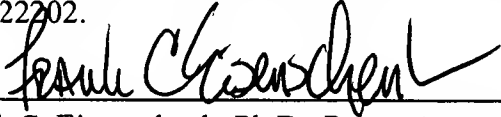


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Applicants thank Examiner O'Hara for the telephone conference of January 22, 2003 regarding the subject application.

As requested, a photocopy of Applicants' Amendment that was submitted to the Patent Office on October 30, 2002, together with the PTO SB/08A & B list and the references listed thereon, are re-submitted herewith. Due to the length of several of the cite references, a CD-ROM providing an electronic version of the following foreign patent references is also enclosed:

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Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is fully in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If any questions remain, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

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